South Dakota Department of Health Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held in the Health Lab Building, small conference room, 615 East 4th Street, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501, on November 5, 2007 at 9:30 a.m., to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed rules numbered

44:20:01:03, 44:20:01:04, and 44:20:03:01

The effect of the rules will be to enhance preparedness for influenza pandemic and improve the response to other Notifiable Diseases.

The reason for adopting the proposed rules is to update the diseases on the Reportable Disease list and update the control of communicable diseases references.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the South Dakota Department of Health, 600 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501. Material sent by mail must reach the Department of Health by November 15, 2007, to be considered.

After the hearing, the Department of Health will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The Department of Health may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Department of Health at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3361.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the following address or at the Health Department website: http://www.state.sd.us/doh/News/index.htm

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